



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

**Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

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The following request has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for review under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995:

**Proposed Project: Enrollment and Re-Certification of Entities in the 340B Drug Pricing Program (OMB No. 0915-0327) – [Revision]**

Section 602 of Pub. L. 102-585, the Veterans Health Care Act of 1992, enacted section 340B of the Public Health Service Act (PHS Act), “Limitation on Prices of Drugs Purchased by Covered Entities.” Section 340B provides that a manufacturer who sells covered outpatient drugs to eligible entities must sign a pharmaceutical pricing agreement with the Secretary of Health and Human Services in which the manufacturer agrees to charge a price for covered outpatient drugs that will not exceed an amount determined under a statutory formula.

Covered entities which choose to participate in the section 340B Drug Pricing Program must comply with the requirements of section 340B(a)(5) of the PHS Act. Section 340B(a)(5)(A) prohibits a covered entity from accepting a discount for a drug that would also generate a Medicaid rebate. Further, section 340B(a)(5)(B) prohibits a covered entity from reselling or otherwise transferring a discounted drug to a person who is not a patient of the entity.

In response to the statutory mandate of section 340B(a)(9) of the PHS Act to notify manufacturers of the identities of covered entities and the mandate of section 340B(a)(5)(A)(ii) to establish a mechanism to ensure against duplicate discounts and the ongoing responsibility to administer the 340B Drug Pricing Program while maintaining efficiency, transparency and integrity, the HRSA Office of Pharmacy Affairs (OPA) developed a process of registration of covered entities to enable it to address those mandates.

### **Enrollment/Registration**

To enroll and certify the eligible federally funded grantees and other safety net health care providers, OPA requires entities to submit administrative information (e.g. shipping and billing arrangements, Medicaid participation, etc.), certifying information and signatures from appropriate grantee level or entity level authorizing officials and State/local government representatives. The purpose of this registration information is to determine eligibility for the 340B Drug Pricing Program. This information is entered into the 340B database by entities and verified by OPA staff according to 340B Drug Pricing Program requirements. Accurate records are critical to implementation of the 340B Drug Pricing Program legislation, especially to prevent diversion and duplicate discounts. To maintain accurate records, OPA also requires that entities recertify eligibility annually and that they notify the program of updates to any

administrative information that they submitted when initially enrolling into the program. The burden requirement for these processes is low for recertification and minimal for submitting change requests.

### **Contract Pharmacy Self-Certification**

In order to ensure that drug manufacturers and drug wholesalers recognize contract pharmacy arrangements, covered entities that elect to utilize one or more contract pharmacies are also required to submit general information about the arrangements and certifications that signed agreements are in place with those contract pharmacies.

The estimates of annualized burden are as follows:

Reporting Requirement	Number of Respondents	Responses per Respondent	Total Responses	Hours per Response	Total Burden Hours
<b>HOSPITAL ENROLLMENT, ADDITIONS &amp; RECERTIFICATIONS</b>					
340B Program Registrations & Certifications for Hospitals	546	1	546	2.00	1092.0
Certifications to Enroll Hospital Outpatient Facilities	606	1	606	0.50	303.0
Hospital Annual Re-Certifications	4842	1	4842	0.50	2421.0
<b>REGISTRATIONS AND RE-CERTIFICATIONS FOR ENTITIES OTHER THAN HOSPITALS</b>					
340B Registrations for Community Health Centers	253	1	253	1.00	253.0
340B Registrations for Family Planning Programs, STD/TB Clinics and Various Other Eligible Entity Types	353	1	353	1.00	353.0

Community Health Center Annual Re-Certifications	4507	1	4507	0.50	2253.5
Family Planning Annual Re-Certifications	3879	1	3879	0.50	1939.5
STD & TB Annual Re-Certifications	2754	1	2754	0.50	1377.0
Annual Re-Certification for Entities Other Than Hospitals, Community Health Centers, Family Planning, STD or TB Clinics	1174	1	1174	0.50	587.0
<b>OTHER INFORMATION COLLECTIONS</b>					
Submission of Administrative Changes for Any Covered Entity	2500	1	2500	0.50	1250.0
Submission of Administrative Changes for Any Manufacturer	350	1	350	0.50	175.0
<b>CONTRACTED PHARMACY SERVICES REGISTRATION &amp; RECERTIFICATIONS</b>					
Contracted Pharmacy Services Registration	2500	1	2500	1.00	2500.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	24,264		24,264		14,504.0

Written comments and recommendations concerning the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of this notice to the desk officer for HRSA, either by email to [OIRA\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov) or by fax to 202-395-6974. Please direct all correspondence to the “attention of the desk officer for HRSA.”

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